



ALLIES MOWED DOWN IN FIERCE ASSAULT ON AISNE ENTRENCHMENTS

Germans Repulse Attacks With Heavy Artillery Fire—British Advance Slightly, But Suffer Terrific Losses—Both Sides Rush Reinforcements to Battle Line.

Kaiser's Armies Continue to Concentrate. Allies' Flank Movement to Cut Off Army of Von Kluk Reported Successful—French Move Forward on Right.

PARIS, Sept. 17. The Germans have effectively repulsed the attack of the allies on the entrenched line of the enemy along the Aisne.

The forces of the allies, however, moved forward at two points in the great battle line, which stretches from Noyon in an almost direct eastern line to the Meuse.

In the valley of the Aisne River, east of the Argonne, the French advanced, while at these extreme western end of the line the British have made secure their foothold on the north bank of the Aisne.

Again and again have the allies attacked the German lines, but except on the extreme western end they have failed to break the German defense.

The Germans made a fierce counter attack from their strongly entrenched positions along the Aisne river, but were repulsed by the allies. Furious fighting is going on all along the line.

The following detailed statement was issued at 3:30 p. m.: 1—On our left wing the resistance of the enemy on the north of the Aisne has continued, although it has yielded slightly at certain points.

2—At the centre, between Berry-Au-Bac (about six miles north by northwest of Rheims, on the Aisne), and the Argonne, the situation is unchanged. The enemy continues to entrench himself on the line previously indicated between the Argonne and the Meuse.

He has fortified the heights of Montfaucou. In the Woivre District we have come into contact with several detachments of the enemy between Etain and Thiaucourt.

(The army fortifying the heights of Montfaucou is that of the Crown Prince, which lies between the Argonne forest and the German frontier.) 3. On our right wing (Lorraine and the Vosges) there has been no change.

4. In short, the battle continues along the whole front between the Oise and the Meuse. The Germans occupy positions organized for defense and protected by heavy artillery. Our progress can only be slow, but our troops are animated by the desire to take the offensive. They have proved their vigor and enthusiasm. They have repulsed with success counter attacks that the enemy has attempted by day and by night. Their morale is excellent.

Heavy reinforcements have reached the German right wing and General von Kluk's army, taking the offensive, is striking fiercely at the allies' left. New French troops are being rushed to the vicinity of Noyon from the army of the defense of Paris.

This statement was made by a high Government official at noon today: "The German action on the right has suddenly become very strong, indicating that the enemy is making another effort to cut our line. Along the centre the Germans show less strength, while on their left their position is almost untenable.

The Germans have attempted a bombardment of Rheims, but with little effect. Should the enemy win the battle now in progress, a second advance on Paris will naturally follow, but we believe General von Kluk's army has little chance of success."

It is believed here that the Germans have succeeded in withdrawing a large portion of their eastern army from Prussia, and have hurried it into action in another attempt to break through the allied line in a general circling movement.

The official War Office statement issued at Bordeaux at 3:15 this afternoon, and made public at General Gallieni's headquarters, states that the battle continues along the entire front between the Rivers Oise and the Meuse, with the Germans resisting the French advance at all points in an effort to prevent the carrying of their fortified positions behind which the armies which participated in the battle of the Marne are re-forming.

"The battle continues along the entire front between the Oise and the Meuse," says the statement, "with the Germans fiercely resisting the French attack and fortifying their positions along the lines previously indicated."

The allies have suffered the heaviest losses yet sustained by them. The allies are still bombarding the German positions along the Aisne River. The Germans, despite the difficulties caused by heavy rains of the past week, have brought up most of their guns, and the greatest artillery duel that the world has ever heard of is in progress. At least 5000 guns are believed to be engaged.

The Germans thus far have repulsed the efforts of the British and French forces to drive them back from the hills along the Aisne. The allies have been unable to secure a firm foothold on the north side of the river, although they gained crossings at three points under a terrific concentrated fire from the German batteries.

The efforts of the Fifth French Army and the First and Second British Corps are concentrated in an endeavor to shatter the German line by cutting off the German right wing, commanded by General von Kluk. The French are driving from the west, while the British are striking up from the southeast.

The fighting at this point on the 120-mile front is deadly to both sides. The British attack on the German right wing centres around to the north of Soissons. No details have been received as to the fighting along the allies' centre and right flank.

It is reported from the front that the British army has been successful in its flank movement and that Von Kluk's army is practically surrounded.

General von Kluk was reported today withdrawing his lines closer to those of General von Buelow, which were in turn drawing in on the main German centre. This movement followed the attempt of the allies to flank the German right, perilously extended west of Noyon.

The losses of the allies have been far heavier in the last two days than at any other period of the war. The German counter assaults have been determined and have required frequent use of the bayonet in checking them. But it has been in the general assaults that the French have lost heaviest.

The German artillery fire continues particularly deadly. Their batteries, masked in the hills which for the most part constitute their new positions, are served with the utmost precision, while their rapid firers, mounted on automobiles, simply mow down the French who attempt to carry the German lines by storm.

It is evident that the Germans have massed all their available strength along the battle line to hold back the pursuit of the allies. The battle front is about the same as it was yesterday. It extends from a point near Noyon across the plains to the north of Vic-sur-Aisne, near Soissons and Laon, and thence over the heights north and northwest of Rheims; thence to the westward.

The War Summary

The battle of the Aisne continues. The allies are hurling forces again and again upon the strongly entrenched lines of Germans north of the river and have been repulsed in each advance. The position of the Kaiser's forces is said to be so strong that, attacks are made only at heavy losses by the allies.

General von Kluk's army on the German right wing is in danger of being surrounded. London reporting his forces already hemmed in. Heavy reinforcements, however, have been sent to aid General von Kluk.

German forces to the number of 320,000 are reported from Petrograd to have been withdrawn from the East Prussian campaign and rushed to aid the Kaiser's forces defending their position along the Aisne. Eight corps comprise the force reported moving. French War Office, at Bordeaux, announces that the Germans have been compelled to raise the siege at Verdun and that the Crown Prince's army again has been forced back.

Much anxiety over the reported offensive movement of the German war fleet in official circles.

German official War Office statement today explains the retreat of the Germans in France was only to their prepared positions and to enable the troops to recover from their earlier exertions. It is announced that the general battle now in progress is proceeding favorably to the German cause.

Przemysl, the strong fortification on the San, near where the Austrian armies are reported to have effected a junction, has been captured by the Russians, according to a Petrograd dispatch. The Austrians will be compelled to take a final stand at Cracow, near the meeting point of Russian, Austrian and German borders. Capture of Cracow would open the way for the Czar's forces to march on Breslau, in Silesia, 190 miles from Berlin.

Meanwhile, another Russian army is proceeding west through Poland toward Silesia, and military experts believe that these movements will fatally expose Berlin, if the Kaiser has, as reported, withdrawn eight army corps (320,000 men) from East Prussia and Galicia, to reinforce the German armies in France.

Advices from Vienna, however, state that the fighting in Western Galicia is not ended and that the junction of the armies of Generals Dankl and Auenberg will be followed by fresh offensive tactics between the San and Vistula, with the object of keeping the line intact between Przemysl and Cracow, thus protecting Central Austro-Hungary on one hand, and Silesia on the other, from Russian encroachments.

Belgium dispatches report that Germany is rapidly withdrawing her veteran troops from all the large cities and towns. They are being rushed to reinforce the army of Von Kluk. New garrisons of the naval reserve and Landwehr have arrived to replace the veterans.

The Belgians have resumed offensive operations against the weakened forces of the invaders under the personal command of King Albert.

British War Office says the general situation continues favorable to the allies, but makes no statement regarding the battle now in progress in France.

Turkey has an army within Russian borders along the Bulgaria River, according to reports in Petrograd. It is said a German cavalry officer is in command.

Servia announces officially that the Crown Prince's army has been withdrawn from the proposed invasion of Slavonia. Air scouts detected a trap laid by Austrian forces and the army was saved. The invasion of Bosnia, however, continues.

Italy clamors for war against Austria and Germany. Soldiers have been called, ready to quell rioting, street demonstrations already having reached almost unmanageable stages.

WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Increasing cloudiness tonight followed by showers in the early morning and on Friday; not much change in temperature; moderate easterly winds. For details, see page 4.

GOLFERS WHO TOOK PART IN ST. MARTIN'S CUP TOURNEY



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TENTATIVE LINEUP DECIDED UPON BY PENN OFFICIALS

At This Afternoon's Practice Probable Formation of Varsity Football Squad Announced by Men in Charge.

Coach George Brooke's predicted cut in the Penn football squad came early this afternoon, when approximately 75 of the five-score of athletes who have daily been going through their preliminary paces on Franklin Field were relegated to the second varsity and scrub teams. No man, however, will be permanently dropped, no matter how inexperienced he may be.

Later in the day a tentative varsity line-up was announced, which will hold good until after the first game. The selections were as follows: Ends, Seelbach, Koons, Wray, Vreeland and Murdoch; tackles, Harris, Norwald and Tucker; guards, Withrow, Russell and Dorizas; centres, Captain Journey or Carter; quarterback, Irwin, Hughes, Merrill and Ballou; halfbacks, Jones, Rckefeller, Gotwals and Bolger; fullbacks, Moffett and Mathews.

By this section the exceptionally large field of quarterbacks has been narrowed down. Tucker, having been sent to tackle and Vreeland to one of the ends. These changes are hardly permanent, however, and it is expected that the players will be shifted back and forth.

Welcome news came to Franklin Field in the form of a telegram from Mike Avery, from the west, saying he will reach this city by Monday of next week. The addition of Avery will mean one more star punter to Brooke's already large list of candidates. Walter Simpson, last year's center, put Journey and Carter through a severe drill in passing the ball. Ballou and Mathews alternated at booting the ball and the selection of the team's kicker appears to be between them. Ballou's greater experience would seem to give him the place.

Duval Park Entries for Tomorrow First race, selling, 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 34 furlongs—King, Chilton, 92; Bonanza, 93; Chrystie, 92; Minstra, 92; Frowat, 92; Star of Rocks, 92; Ben Loyal, 95; Strie, 105; Durbie, 107.

Second race, selling for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 4 furlongs—May, 1; 102; Miss Barn Harbor, 103; Temper, 108; Grizzle, 108; Bonanza's Edge, 108; Ford Mat, 109; Punky, 109; Kinky Coat, 109; Colter, 109; Rodondo, 111; Narnie, J. V., Jr., 104; Brandywine, 117; Ridge, 145.

Third race, selling, for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 5 furlongs—Lala, 102; Beldie, 102; Red Fox, 102; John Paul, 104; Splinter, 113; Gortley, 105; Linger, 105.

Fourth race, selling, for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 6 furlongs—Lala, 102; Beldie, 102; Red Fox, 102; John Paul, 104; Splinter, 113; Gortley, 105; Linger, 105.

Fifth race, selling, for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 7 furlongs—Lala, 102; Beldie, 102; Red Fox, 102; John Paul, 104; Splinter, 113; Gortley, 105; Linger, 105.

Sixth race, selling, for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 8 furlongs—Lala, 102; Beldie, 102; Red Fox, 102; John Paul, 104; Splinter, 113; Gortley, 105; Linger, 105.

Seventh race, selling, for 3-year-olds and up, purse \$200. 9 furlongs—Lala, 102; Beldie, 102; Red Fox, 102; John Paul, 104; Splinter, 113; Gortley, 105; Linger, 105.

Evens Robbed of Trophies TROY, N. Y., Sept. 17.—Johnny Evens, field captain of the Boston Braves, lost many of the valuable trophies presented to him by admiring friends during his career on the diamond when it was learned here yesterday that his home had been robbed. A chest of silver presented to him by the fans of Chicago and several solid silver cups are among the articles missing.



C. W. RAJENER

Some clever scores were made in the annual invitation golf affair held by the Philadelphia Cricket Club. Men were out qualifying as early as 7:45 o'clock this morning.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FIRST GAME

Table with columns for team, runs, hits, errors. Pittsburgh 3, Phillies 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE SECOND GAME

Table with columns for team, runs, hits, errors. Pittsburgh 0, Phillies 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns for team, runs, hits, errors. Athletics 1, Detroit 2, Boston 2, Cleveland 0, New York 0, Chicago 0, Washington 3, St. Louis 2.

PHILLIES DEFEAT PIRATES TWICE BY TIMELY HITTING

Cravath's Bat Helps Win First, 6-3; Luderus Drives in Runs Which Beat Visitors 2 to 0 in Second.

Statistical table for Phillies vs Pirates, showing runs, hits, errors for individual players and totals.

PHILADELPHIA BALL PARK, Sept. 17.—The Phillies took both games of the double-header bill with the Pirates today by the scores of 6 to 3 and 2 to 0. Mattison went to the rescue of the Quakers in the first, after Jacobs showed signs of weakening.

In the second game Ron Tincup allowed five scattered hits and not a Pirate reached third. McQuillan battled with Tincup until the ending of the seventh. In the eighth Hyatt batted for the erstwhile Quaker savior. The best Hyatt could do was to send a long fly to Parkert.

Kantlehner, the creative with the longest name on the Pittsburgh payroll, worked against the Phillies in their half of the eighth. He landed a pass, but a double play on Magee's fly retired the side.

FIRST INNING Carey fled to Parkert, Sidlin fled to Lobert. Collins reached first on Martin's error. Bolger out. Tincup to Luderus to Tincup, napping. No runs, no hits. McQuillan threw Lobert out. Wagner tossed Byrne out. Magee singled to center. Magee was caught napping. McQuillan to Kuntzschy. No runs, one hit.

SECOND INNING Cravath went out. Byrne to Luderus. Kuntzschy doubled to left. Tincup to Luderus to Lobert. Martin's throw beat out McQuillan. No runs, one hit. Cravath struck out. Luderus walked. Parkert struck out. Martin fielded to Kuntzschy. No runs, no hits.

THIRD INNING Coleman doubled to left. McQuillan was called out on strikes. Byrne tossed Carey out. Sidlin hit to Luderus. No runs, one hit. Byrne walked. Tincup lifted to Carey. Lobert forced Byrne. McQuillan to Sidlin. Lobert died stealing. Coleman to Sidlin. No runs, no hits.

FOURTH INNING Collins fled to Parkert. Cantlehner walked. Kuntzschy fled to Parkert. Wagner singled to left. Cravath going to third. Wagner stole second. McQuillan lined right to Magee. No runs, one hit. Byrne singled to left. Byrne died stealing. Coleman to Wagner. Magee singled to center. Magee was out stealing. Bolger to Sidlin. Cravath doubled to center field fence. Luderus fled to Carey. No runs. Three hits.

FIFTH INNING Coleman missed his third swing. McQuillan fouled to Luderus. Carey walked.